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		Filing Date January 7, 2002
		First Named Inventor Robert Matousek
		Art Unit 3871
		Examiner Name Arpad F. Kovacs
Total Number of Pages in This Submission 1		Attorney Docket Number 12809

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